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1. Victim: Naasir Clark – three-month-old male

2. Date of notification to DCS: 02/04/2022

3. Date of fatality: 02/21/2022

4. Date of determination that the fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*: 5/25/2023

5. County and general location of the residence of the victim: Cochise County – Sierra Vista, A7

6. Alleged perpetrator(s) name, age and city, town or general location:

Kamall Clark - age 26 - Sierra Vista, AZ

7. Circumstances of the fatality that indicate it was the result of abuse or neglect:

On February 4, 2022 the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding three-month-old Naasir Clark, who was found unresponsive at home and was transported to the hospital. Naasir was found to have multiple injuries that were determined to be non-accidental. On February 21, 2022, Naasir Clark passed away as result of his injuries. On May 25, 2023, the child's father, Kamall Clark, was indicted on first degree murder, second degree murder, aggravated assault, and child abuse.

8. Whether DCS has received any reports or past cases, of child abuse, abandonment or neglect involving the child or the current alleged perpetrator(s)**:

There were no prior DCS reports involving Naasir Clark or Kamall Clark.

9. Actions taken by DCS in response to the fatality:

A joint investigation was conducted with the Sierra Vista Police Department.

10. Actions taken regarding the child and/or other children in the home:

Following an assessment of child safety, a sibling was removed and placed with relatives.

11. Whether the agency is or intends to provide direct services or service referrals to the family:

The Department is providing services to the family.

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*The determination that a fatality or near fatality is the result of abuse, abandonment or neglect is based one or more of the following criteria: (1) The perpetrator(s) arrest related to the incident, (2) Substantiated finding(s) linking the alleged perpetrator(s) action(s) to the fatality or near fatality and/or (3) Results of the Medical Examiner's report.

** Information released after July 3, 2015 provides reports, or any current or past cases, of abuse, abandonment or neglect involving the child or the alleged perpetrator pursuant to A.R.S. § 8-807.01(A)(1)(e). Posted information may be updated as new information becomes available.